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This is something that this Congress designated as a national memorial. This is of great significance to our community, for sure—I think very appropriately so—and also for the issue of AIDS. So, when you go West, you have to go to the AIDS memorial and see it as a spirit of renewal—a garden, a grove—always with that fresh, new growth. We have it as a remembrance, too, of those who have been lost and as a comfort to their families.

With that, again, Mr. Speaker, I join others in calling to our colleagues' attention and to those who follow Congress the importance of fighting HIV/AIDS as well as its importance to people, to communities, to our country, and to the world for our good health, for our economy, for the success of individuals.

OUR MAGGIE

(Mr. QUIGLEY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. QUIGLEY. Mr. Speaker, Maya Angelou wrote: "If you find it in your heart to care for somebody else, you will have succeeded."

On Thanksgiving night, Chicago lost a matriarch who, by Ms. Angelou's measure, was a magnificent success. We, sadly, lost Margaret Corbett Daley, or as she was better known, "our Maggie."

Maggie Daley embodied the heart of our city and grace under fire even when her own health was failing. Her contribution to the arts and our children, most notably through the After School Matters program, changed countless lives; and it will continue to do so for generations.

When Maggie was laid to rest this week, it wasn't just dignitaries who came to pay respects. Thousands of regular Chicagoans lined up for blocks in the rain to say goodbye. That's because Maggie transcended politics and reminded us that nothing is more important than family and each other.

She is, of course, survived by her best friend and husband, former Mayor Richard M. Daley, as well as by her loving children, grandchildren, and friends.

May she rest in peace and never be forgotten.

WORLD AIDS DAY

(Ms. JACKSON LEE of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. JACKSON LEE of Texas. I rise today in commemoration, Mr. Speaker, of World AIDS Day; and I thank our minority leader for her eloquent recounting of how far we have come.

In our best days, we can look to my dear friend Magic Johnson, who has been a living example of the improvements and the courage of those who are living with the HIV infection; but we

recognize that, of the 15 million people medically recommended for antiretroviral medication worldwide, only half of them have access to drug treatment.

In the United States, nearly one in five people with HIV, or 240,000 people, don't even know that they are infected. Communities of color and young gay and bisexual men face the most severe burden of HIV in the United States—Magic Johnson, on one hand, and my dying friend on another hand being at the bedside of a person dying with AIDS, who, one, lived with the stigma and didn't have a way out.

Today, I will join others and be tested for the HIV virus, and I encourage others to do so.

I congratulate my constituents, the Harris County Hospital District and the Thomas Street Clinic, for their 12th annual World AIDS Day.

Thank you, Mr. President, for recognizing that 6 million more people need to have access to AIDS prevention drugs.

To those who have lost their lives, may I say to you on this day that your life that was lost should not be in vain. We still look for a cure, and we work for a better Nation and an opportunity to provide resources to those around the world and in the United States who still suffer. It is our challenge. We accept that challenge, and I believe someday we will be victorious.

To those who commemorate this day because they mourn, I commemorate it with you in your mourning. For those who celebrate life, I, likewise, celebrate life.

TERMINATING PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION CAMPAIGN FUND AND ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION

Mr. HARPER. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to House Resolution 477, I call up the bill (H.R. 3463) to reduce Federal spending and the deficit by terminating taxpayer financing of presidential election campaigns and party conventions and by terminating the Election Assistance Commission, and ask for its immediate consideration in the House.

The Clerk read the title of the bill. The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to House Resolution 477, the bill is considered read.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 3463

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

TITLE I—TERMINATION OF TAXPAYER FINANCING OF PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION CAMPAIGNS

SECTION 101. TERMINATION OF TAXPAYER FINANCING OF PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION CAMPAIGNS.

(a) TERMINATION OF DESIGNATION OF INCOME TAX PAYMENTS.—Section 6096 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:

"(d) Termination.—This section shall not apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2010.".

- (b) TERMINATION OF FUND AND ACCOUNT.—
- (1) TERMINATION OF PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION CAMPAIGN FUND.—
- (A) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 95 of subtitle H of such Code is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

"SEC. 9014. TERMINATION.

"The provisions of this chapter shall not apply with respect to any presidential election (or any presidential nominating convention) after the date of the enactment of this section, or to any candidate in such an election."

- (B) Transfer of excess funds to general fund.—Section 9006 of such Code is amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:
- "(d) Transfer of Funds Remaining After Termination.—The Secretary shall transfer all amounts in the fund after the date of the enactment of this section to the general fund of the Treasury, to be used only for reducing the deficit."
- (2) TERMINATION OF ACCOUNT.—Chapter 96 of subtitle H of such Code is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

"SEC. 9043. TERMINATION.

"The provisions of this chapter shall not apply to any candidate with respect to any presidential election after the date of the enactment of this section.".

- (c) CLERICAL AMENDMENTS.-
- (1) The table of sections for chapter 95 of subtitle H of such Code is amended by adding at the end the following new item:
- "Sec. 9014. Termination.".
- (2) The table of sections for chapter 96 of subtitle H of such Code is amended by adding at the end the following new item:

"Sec. 9043. Termination.".

TITLE II—TERMINATION OF ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION

SEC. 201. TERMINATION OF ELECTION ASSIST-ANCE COMMISSION.

(a) Termination.—The Help America Vote Act of 2002 (42 U.S.C. 15301 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following new title:

"TITLE X—TERMINATION OF COMMISSION "Subtitle A—Termination

"SEC. 1001. TERMINATION.

"Effective on the Commission termination date, the Commission (including the Election Assistance Commission Standards Board and the Election Assistance Commission Board of Advisors under part 2 of subtitle A of title II) is terminated and may not carry out any programs or activities.

"SEC. 1002. TRANSFER OF OPERATIONS TO OF-FICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET DURING TRANSITION.

- "(a) IN GENERAL.—The Director of the Office of Management and Budget shall, effective upon the Commission termination date—
- "(1) perform the functions of the Commission with respect to contracts and agreements described in subsection 1003(a) until the expiration of such contracts and agreements, but shall not renew any such contract or agreement; and
- "(2) shall take the necessary steps to wind up the affairs of the Commission.
- "(b) EXCEPTION FOR FUNCTIONS TRANS-FERRED TO OTHER AGENCIES.—Subsection (a) does not apply with respect to any functions of the Commission that are transferred under subtitle B.

"SEC. 1003. SAVINGS PROVISIONS.

"(a) PRIOR CONTRACTS.—The termination of the Commission under this subtitle shall not affect any contract that has been entered into by the Commission before the Commission termination date. All such contracts shall continue in effect until modified,